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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed July 22, 2008, Applicants hereby provisionally elect the claims of Group I, i.e., claims 31-33 and 34-36, for continued examination. In response to the Office's requirement for election of species, Applicants elect IL-1Ra. Claims 32 and 33 read on the elected species.

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